

SECTION 2.

Geographical Targeting

ENTERPRISE COMMUNITY/ENTERPRISE ZONE

The District of Columbia was designated an Enterprise Community (EC) by the federal government in 1994 and received a one-time \$2.9 million grant to provide residents with the resources and training to assist individuals and families in achieving upward mobility.

The EC was divided into three distinct areas comprised of Target Area Groups (TAGs) that were identified by geographic locations as follows:

TAG 1 NORTHEAST/NORTHWEST, located in Ward 1 (Census Tracts 28.2, 35, and 36), Ward 2 (Census Tracts 47, 48.1, 49.2, and 58), Ward 5 (Census Tracts 88.3 and 91.2), and Ward 8 (Census Tract 86);

TAG 2 MARSHALL HEIGHTS, located in Ward 7, (Census Tracts 78.4, 78.8, and 99.4); and

TAG 3 SOUTHEAST/SOUTHWEST, located in Ward 2 (Census Tract 64.1), Ward 6 (Census Tracts 72 and 75.3), and Ward 8 (Census Tracts 73.4, 74.1, 74.4, and 74.6).

CONSOLIDATION OF PROGRAMS

In August 1997, the Taxpayer Relief Act of 1997 (TRA) was passed by Congress, under which the District of Columbia was designated an Enterprise Zone (EZ). Under the TRA, businesses that expand or locate in EZ designated areas receive significant financial benefits and tax incentives. All of the twenty census tracts that comprise the EC designation are also located in the EZ, which allows the EC to share the same benefits as the EZ.

Effective January 1, 1998, in accordance with the Department of Treasury Publication 954, areas in Washington, D.C., including the EZ, are treated as an Empowerment Zone.

PROGRAM BENEFITS

As a consolidated Enterprise Community/Enterprise Zone/Empowerment Zone designation, the District of Columbia program benefits and tax incentives for businesses located in one of the sixty-five (65) EZ census tracts, with poverty levels of 20% or more, include the following:

- up to \$15 million in tax exempt bond finance for private development projects and public infrastructure improvements;
- industrial revenue bonds and tax increment financing available under local authority;
- up to \$20,000 per year special expense allowance for certain depreciable business equipment placed in service between January 1, 1998, and December 31, 2003;

- up to \$3,000 per year employment tax credits through year 2003 for businesses located in the EC/Z that hire EC/Z residents;
- up to \$2,400 work opportunity tax credit during the first year of employment for DOES certified employees;
- up to \$8,000 welfare-to-work tax credits for a two-year period for former welfare recipient employees;
- up to \$5,000 in federal tax credits for first-time homebuyers or buyers who did not own a house during the previous one year period;
- zero capital gains tax for business investments held for at least five years in areas with at least a 10% poverty rate; and
- up to \$15 million of tax exempt EZ bond financing may be used specifically for educational capital projects and academic programs located in the EC/EZ and sponsored or approved by the D.C. Public System under the Qualified Zone Academy Bonds (QZAB) provision of the TRA. In addition, under special conditions, tax credits may be claimed for charitable donations to elementary and secondary schools of software, computer, or peripheral equipment and fiber optic cabling.

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**ENTERPRISE COMMUNITY
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA GEOGRAPHIC BOUNDARIES**

1. NEW YORK AVENUE, NW (10 CENSUS TRACTS)

A. New York Avenue/North Capitol Street

- Census Tract 88.3 -Bounded by New York, Montana, West Virginia, and Florida Avenues, NE (W5)
- Census Tract 86 -Bounded by North Capitol Street, Florida Avenue, 2nd Street, and Massachusetts Avenue, NE (W6)
- Census Tract 91.2 -Bounded by B&O Railroad Tracks, Rhode Island Avenue, 18th Street, and New York Avenue, NE (W5)

B. Northwest Central Area

- Census Tract 47 -Bounded by New York Avenue, North Capitol Street, Massachusetts Avenue, and 7th Street, NW. (W2)
- Census Tract 58 -Bounded by New York Avenue, Pennsylvania Avenue, and 9th Street, NW. (W2)
- Census Tract 48.1 -Bounded by O Street, 11th Street, Florida Avenue, and New Jersey Avenue, NW. (W2)
- Census Tract 35 -Bounded by 11th Street, Harvard Street, Georgia, and Florida Avenues, NW (W1)
- Census Tract 49.2 -Bounded by 16th Street, Newton Street, 14th Street, and Harvard Street, NW (W2)
- Census Tract 28.2 -Bounded by 16th St., Newton St., 14th St., and Harvard St., NW. (W1)
- Census Tract 36 -Bounded by 14th St., Harvard St., 11th St., and Florida Ave., NW (W1)

2. MARSHALL HEIGHTS (3 CENSUS TRACTS)

- Census Tract 78.4 -Bounded by 47th St., Hayes St., Division Ave., and East Capitol St., NE (W7)
- Census Tract 78.8 -Bounded by Division Ave., Eads St., Southern Ave., and East Capitol St., NE (W7)
- Census Tract 99.4 -Bounded by East Capitol St., 51st St., Fitch St., and Benning Rd., SE (W7)

3. BUZZARD POINT/ANACOSTIA (7 CENSUS TRACTS)

- Census Tract 64.1 -Bounded by Canal St./Delaware Ave., SW, M St., SW, South Capitol St., SW, and the Anacostia River (W2)
- Census Tract 72. -Bounded by South Capitol St., SE, SE/SW Freeway, 11th St., SE, and the Anacostia River
- Census Tract 74.1 -Bounded by South Capitol St., Anacostia River, I-295, 11th Street Bridge, Railroad Tracks, Chicago Ave., Martin Luther King, Jr., Ave., SE, Suitland Parkway, and St. Elizabeth's Hospital.
- Census Tract 74.6 -Bounded by Suitland Parkway, Stanton Rd., and 15th Pl., SE (W8)
- Census Tract 75.3 -Bounded by Railroad Tracks, Good Hope Rd., SE, 15th, U, and Bangor Sts., SE Morris Rd., SE, and Chicago St., SE (W6)
- Census Tract 74.4 -Bounded by Suitland Parkway, Alabama Ave., SE, and St. Elizabeth's Hospital (W8)
- Census Tract 73.4 -Bounded by Wheeler Rd., SE, Alabama Ave., SE, Camp Simms (east side), Oxon Run Parkway, Southern Ave., and 13th St., SE (W8)

